



Division of Integrated Health Systems, Family and Children's Health Programs Group, CMSO

April 23, 2003

Bob Sharpe
Deputy Secretary for Medicaid
Florida Medicaid
2727 Mahan Drive, Mail Stop #20
Tallahassee, FL 32308

Dear Mr. Sharpe:

This letter is in response to your request for a 90-day extension for Florida's Section 1915b non-emergency transportation program waiver, due to expire June 6, 2003. In your letter of request dated March 28, 2003, you indicated that this extension would allow the State the time needed to complete the required independent assessment.

For this reason, I am approving the requested extension, effective for the period June 7, 2003, through September 4, 2003. Please submit the finalized renewal application and a copy of the independent assessment report by the end of the extension period to the attention of the Project Officer for this waiver, Claudia Lamm, at the address on this letterhead.

If you have any questions or need further information on this matter, feel free to contact Rhonda R. Cottrell, Associate Regional Administrator for the Division of Medicaid and State Operations in our Atlanta Regional Office, at (404) 562-7175.

Sincerely,

/s/

Michael Fiore
Director

cc: Claudia Lamm, CO
Roberta Kelley, Atlanta RO
DIHS Update Team